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TOP STORIES

Center for Rural Health receives flex funding for sixth year

For the sixth consecutive year, the Center for Rural Health has received funding for the North Dakota Rural Hospital Flexibility (Flex) Program to support rural hospitals.

The CRH received the \$655,000 grant from the Office of Rural Health Policy in the Health Resources and Services Administration in the Department of Health and Human Services to administer the North Dakota Flex program, a state-based partnership that works with and assists rural hospitals to stabilize and sustain their local health care infrastructure.

Since it began in 1999, the North Dakota Flex program has provided more than \$2.1 million in grants which have benefited about 96 communities.

In North Dakota, funds have been used in the areas of recruitment, retention, quality, staff training, emergency medical services, and network development. Funds have also been used to establish new, or enhance existing, programming in cardiac rehab, pulmonary rehab, physical therapy, wellness and many others.

In addition to grants, CRH uses flex funds to provide technical assistance to rural providers such as community assessments, strategic planning and focus groups. These services help facilities look at their community's needs and assist them with their planning activities.

The North Dakota Flex program operates through a formal partnership involving the CRH, the North Dakota Department of Health, and the North Dakota Healthcare Association. – Center for Rural Health.

Major Library of Congress exhibition comes to Museum

"Rivers, Edens, Empires: Lewis & Clark and the Revealing of America," opens Sunday, Nov. 14, and continues through Jan. 9. The Library of Congress has dipped into its unparalleled collection to launch an exhibition focusing on western exploration. With special federal funding, the exhibition opened at the Library of Congress in Washington in July 2003. Only three sites have been chosen to host the tour: the Joslyn Art Museum in Omaha, Neb.; the North Dakota Museum of Art; and the Museum of History and Industry, Seattle, Wash.

The exhibition spotlights rare documents and art works from both the European and the Indian worlds, first-hand observations, specimens and depictions of plants and animals, and spectacular maps, which enable the viewer to trace an emerging picture of the continent as a complex web of geographic features and territorial claims as revealed through

the experiences of early explorers and the native people they encountered along the way.

Not only is the Library rich in Lewis and Clark related material, it also holds impressive collections of other important expeditions including those led by Zebulon Pike, Stephen Long, Charles Wilkes, and John Frémont, all featured in the exhibition.

Library materials are supplemented by loans from important collections including Indian artifacts from the National Museum of the American Indian, botanical specimens collected on various western expeditions from the National Museum of Natural History and the New York Botanical Garden, artist and naturalist Titian Peale's drawings made as a member of the Long expedition from the collection of the American Philosophical Society, and the Sitting Rabbit map and a winter count attributed to High Dog from the North Dakota Historical Society. Those expeditions and others are explored in the exhibition and place the remarkable trek made by the Corps of Discovery in the broad context of a century of exploration of the North American continent. The exhibition closes with an epilogue focused on the construction of the transcontinental railroad, which closed the door on the quest for a direct water passage to connect the East with the West.

Programs

The Museum is organizing a series of events around the exhibition. Sunday, Nov. 14, at 3 p.m., Irene Chambers, director of interpretive programs at the Library of Congress, will introduce the exhibition. She will be joined by three North Dakotans. Ann Hoffert of Pipestem Creek created a Lewis and Clark wreath from native plants encountered by Lewis and Clark (available in the Museum shop). Writer Dorreen Yellowbird will read from the manuscript of her Lewis and Clark children's book. Robert Lewis, English and North Dakota Quarterly, will introduce the North Dakota Quarterly's special Lewis and Clark issue.

Thursday, Nov. 18, at 7 p.m., Ann Morton from the Hudson's Bay Company Archives in Winnipeg will speak about Peter Fidler's highly stylized 1801 map. Fidler was a surveyor, explorer, and cartographer for the Hudson's Bay Company. This Indian map illustrates the headwaters of the Missouri and Saskatchewan River systems flowing eastward from the Rocky Mountains. It provided the best depiction of the area at that time for advancing fur trappers.

Other programs follow on Thursday, Dec. 2; Sunday, Dec. 5; and Thursday, Dec. 9.

Museum hours are weekdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday evenings until 9 p.m. There is no admission charge but the suggested donation for this exhibition is \$5.

The exhibition and its national tour to Omaha, Grand Forks, and Seattle was made possible through funding from the United States Congress. That funding was secured by the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Congressional Caucus and its co-chairs, Senators Conrad Burns, Larry Craig, and Byron Dorgan, and Representatives Doug Bereuter and Earl Pomeroy. The exhibition at the North Dakota Museum of Art is underwritten by David Rognlie, who graduated from UND in 1956, with additional funding from Xcel Energy, Margery McCanna-Jennison, Grand Forks Herald, Grand Forks Public Schools, Land O'Lakes Foundation, Nash Family Foundation, Nodak Electric Trust, North Dakota Council on the Arts, North Dakota Department of Commerce-Tourism Division, and the University of North Dakota Office of Academic Affairs. — North Dakota Museum of Art.

TOP 

EVENTS TO NOTE

Chemistry hosts seminar Nov. 12

The chemistry department will host a seminar at noon Friday, Nov. 12, in 138 Abbott Hall. "Potential Energies of Weakly and Strongly Interacting Systems: From Molecular Recognition to Bond Breaking," will be presented by David Sherrill from the Georgia Institute of Technology. — Chemistry.

Biology seminar is Friday

The biology department will host a seminar at noon Friday, Nov. 12, in 141 Starcher Hall. Mark Clark will present "Potential Mechanisms for Density Dependence in American Coots." He is an assistant professor from NDSU whose general research interests are in population ecology and quantitative ecology. In particular, he is interested in how changes and interactions among individuals translate to changes at the population level. Everyone is welcome. — Biology department.

Empire celebrates past, present and future of film

The Empire Arts Center will celebrate the past, present and future of filmmaking during the third annual Forx Film Fest

Friday, Nov. 12, and Saturday, Nov. 13. The Forx Film Fest is an annual event showcasing filmmakers from the Upper Midwest.

The event will start with a celebration of the history of the Empire Theater and the art of filmmaking. The theater opened on Nov. 10, 1919, with a showing of the movie "Witness for the Defense." We will celebrate the 85th anniversary of the theater by showing a restored version of "Witness" on DVD. The film has been restored by local filmmaker Christopher Jacobs and will include a recorded score. The remainder of the film festival will be filled with work from students and independent filmmakers. Each session will finish with a full-length feature made by an independent filmmaker. The Friday night session will finish with "Customer 152," a film made in Washington by Jonathan Holbrook. The Saturday afternoon session will end with a showing of "Miss Mystic" made by Christopher Jacobs in Grand Forks, Lakota and Devils Lake. The last film of the festival on Saturday evening will be "Looking for Lillian" made by Terence Brown II and Eric Thompson of Fargo. Jacobs, Brown and Thompson have all submitted films to each Forx Film Fest.

Part of the mission of the Forx Film Fest is supporting young filmmakers. This year's event will include work by students from UND, Minnesota State University-Moorhead and Eastern Washington University. Their films range from five-minute long shorts to full-length features. The student films are spread throughout the film fest and cover a wide variety of subjects.

Audience participation is important to the Forx Film Fest. Many of the filmmakers will be present at the film festival and time is built into the schedule after each film for a short presentation and questions for the filmmakers. Also, a panel discussion is scheduled for Saturday morning at 10:30 a.m. to discuss making films. Subject areas will include making films on small budgets and making films in the Midwest. Many of the filmmakers are planning to take part in the panel discussion.

Below is a schedule for the Forx Film Fest. The times are approximate and may change depending on the length of discussion after each film. Tickets are available at the door for all events. Tickets are \$10 for each film session (\$8 for students) or \$25 for the entire film festival (\$20 for students). The panel discussion is free. Come to the Empire to help us celebrate the past as we present the future at the 2004 Forx Film Fest.

Friday night: "Witness for the Defense," non-entry, 60 minutes, 7 p.m.; "The New Girl," student (EWU), 10 minutes, 8:05 p.m.; "Mr. Jones," student (UND), 58 minutes, 8:20 p.m.; "Customer 152," feature, 110 minutes, 9:25 p.m.

Saturday morning: panel discussion, 10:30 a.m.

Saturday afternoon: "Statistic," student (MSUM), 13 minutes, 1 p.m.; "The Dream," student (MSUM), 7 minutes, 1:20 p.m.; "Claynation," student (MSUM), 8 minutes, 1:35 p.m.; "Donor," student (MSUM), 19 minutes, 1:48 p.m.; "A Doctor's Patience," student (MSUM), 9 minutes, 2:15 p.m.; "The Daerie Queene," student (MSUM), 7 minutes, 2:27 p.m.; "Love Me Tender," student (MSUM), 20 minutes, 2:40 p.m.; "Obscura," student (MSUM), 13 minutes, 3:05 p.m.; "Murray's History," student (MSUM), 9 minutes, 3:25 p.m.; "Miss Mystic," feature, 95 minutes, 3:35 p.m.

Saturday evening: "Hometown Assassins," student (UND), 90 minutes, 7 p.m.; "Nudity on a Plate," student (MSUM), 5 minutes, 8:35 p.m.; "Meat," student (MSUM), 5 minutes, 8:40 p.m.; "Harms Way," student (MSUM), 6 minutes, 8:50 p.m.; "The End of the Rainbow," student (MSUM), 16 minutes, 9 p.m.; "Hurt," student (MSUM), 6 minutes, 9:20 p.m.; "Gum Fu," short, 1 minute, 9:30 p.m.; "Looking for Lillian," feature, 88 minutes, 9:35 p.m.

— Jan Orvik, editor, for the Empire Arts Center.

Grand Forks feature plays Saturday afternoon at film fest

The Grand Forks-made movie, "Miss Mystic," wraps up the Saturday afternoon session of screenings at the third annual Forx Film Fest. This festival of regional independent movies runs Friday night, Nov. 12, and all day Saturday, Nov. 13, at the Empire Arts Center in Grand Forks. See previous article for more information.

"Miss Mystic" will start at approximately 3:30 p.m. Saturday. The 95-minute movie is the latest production by Christopher Jacobs, creator of the North Dakota crime thriller "Dark Highways," which premiered at last year's Forx Film Fest. It was nominated for best screenplay at last month's SMMASH Film Festival in Minneapolis, and has played at festivals in New York, Los Angeles, and Las Vegas.

"Miss Mystic" was made entirely in North Dakota, mostly in Grand Forks, with additional scenes shot in Lakota and Devils Lake. Veteran Grand Forks actress Lee Barnum and Lakota high school student Nicole Nelson star in the dual lead roles of "Miss Mystic." Supporting them are Fire Hall regulars Dave Nash, Jared Kinney, and Sharon Reinowski. The movie's soundtrack includes five original songs from the latest CD by Grand Forks rock band Whisky Sam.

The story of "Miss Mystic" blends straight drama and psychological subtext with some dark comedy, suspense, and a touch of the supernatural in a unique variation on the popular body-switching theme.

More information with complete cast and crew, photos, posters, and Quicktime trailers can be found online by doing a web search for "miss mystic" movie web site. Jacobs' previous three features are all available for rent at Grand Forks Blockbuster and Fargo's Take 2 Video locations, and have recently been added to the collection of the Grand Forks Public Library. DVDs can be purchased at the Empire Arts Center and at Budget Music and Video in Grand Forks. — Christopher Jacobs, English.

Lotus Center offers meditation class

The Lotus Meditation Center, 2908 University Ave., will offer a loving kindness meditation class Sunday, Nov. 14, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. It is free of charge and open to all. – Lora Sloan, Lotus Meditation Center, (701) 787-8839, lorasloan@gra.midco.net.

Graduate committee will not meet Monday

The graduate committee will not meet Monday, Nov. 15. – Joseph Benoit, graduate dean.

Engelstad Arena lists events

Following are events at the Ralph Engelstad Arena.

Incubus

Come see Incubus with special guest The Music live at Ralph Engelstad Arena Monday, Nov. 15, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are on sale now. Special area high school and UND student price is \$29.50; all other seats are \$33.50. Students must present a student ID and purchase their tickets at the REA box office.

2005 IIHF World Junior Championship

The 2005 IIHF World Junior Hockey Championship is coming to Grand Forks and Thief River Falls, Dec. 25, 2004, to Jan. 4, 2005. Be a part of the tournament as Team USA defends their historic gold medal. Single game tickets are on sale now! Volunteer for a once in a lifetime experience! For more information or to order tickets log onto www.worldjrs2005.com.

— Ralph Engelstad Arena.

Great American Smoke Out is Nov. 18

Students, faculty, and staff are invited to participate in the Great American Smoke Out Thursday, November 18. The theme for this year's campaign is "A Breath of Fresh Air." Take action to reduce second hand smoke by quitting smoking for the day and maybe for life.

For those interested in quitting tobacco, free quit smoking kits, 1-1 cessation support and self-help materials are available at the Student Health Promotion Office in the Memorial Union. Medications to help those quit smoking are available for purchase through the student health pharmacy where prices are competitive and often lower than other pharmacies. For an appointment, call the student health promotion office at 777-2097.

Great American Smoke Out events include:

s "A Breath of Fresh Air" Nov. 15-19, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., student health promotion office, Memorial Union. Free quit tobacco kits, smoke free dining guides, self-help materials, prize drawings, and restaurant stickers to put on your restaurant bills to let them know that you prefer clean air.

s "Meeting the Ongoing Challenges: Intervention Strategies for Tobacco Cessation," Wednesday, Nov. 17, noon to 1 p.m., School of Medicine and Health Sciences Clifford Hogan Lecture Hall. Jon O. Ebbert, assistant professor, Mayo Clinic College of Medicine, will present a program for health care providers designed to enhance their effectiveness in providing brief clinical tobacco interventions. Dr. Ebert is engaged in designing and conducting clinical trials on the treatment of tobacco use at the Mayo Clinic Nicotine Dependence Center. This session is sponsored as a collaborative effort by Altru Health System, Minnesota Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Grand Forks Public Health, UND Student Health Services, and the UND School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

s "Clearing the Air," Thursday, Nov. 18, 7 to 9 p.m., Alerus Center. A community presentation on second hand smoke, which remains a serious health problem in the United States, with most Americans still at risk of needless heart attack, cancer, or disease caused by second hand smoke. There are 4,811 municipalities that now have 100 percent smoke free private workplaces/government buildings, and/or restaurants, and/or bars, protecting 34.7 percent of the U.S. population. Should Grand Forks be next? Presentations include: "The Science of Secondhand Smoke" by Jim Repace, biophysicist, Bowie, Md.; "The Health Effects of Secondhand Smoke" by Eric Lund, Altru Health Systems; "The Economics of Smoke Free Air," Pat McKone, American Lung Association, Duluth, Minn.; and "The Politics of Smoke Free Air," by Darrin Smith, Sioux Falls, S.D. — Student health promotions office.

"Black Expressions" will be held Tuesday at Tabula

The UND Black Student Association will present their second annual "Black Expressions" at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, at Tabula Coffee Shop. Everyone is welcome to enjoy a night of music, poetry, art and more. – Linda Skarsten, multicultural student services

Connect "U" sessions discuss PeopleSoft each Tuesday

Connect "U" ND weekly information sessions will be held Tuesdays at 9 a.m. in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl. At

each session, presenters will discuss preparation for and the upcoming implementation of ConnectND.

Initiatives in French dedication is Nov. 16

The UND campus and community are invited to participate in the dedication of Initiatives in French/Initiatives en français at the International Center, 2908 University Ave., Tuesday, Nov. 16, at 3 p.m. The event will begin with refreshments and student presentations on the question, "What Really Matters?"

At 3:30 p.m., Victoria Beard, associate provost; Kathy Smart, director of the Center for Instructional and Learning Technologies; and Virgil Benoit, director of Initiatives in French Midwest will respectively present la raison d'être for IFMidwest at UND, the decisions which led to the creation of www.ifmidwest.org and the project as a model for teaching French language and heritage in the Midwest.

Come see and hear about UND's first bilingual web site, community and university engagement à la française, UND students intermingling with Manitoba's francophone community, music, song, and pastries: all ingredients of this dedication and the future of UND's joie de vivre collective with IF. – Virgil Benoit, languages.

Anthropology Club hosts film series

The global visions film series brings cultural and non-Hollywood films to students, faculty, and the Grand Forks community. Some of the films we have shown so far include "Frida," "Real Women Have Curves," and "The Rabbit Proof Fence." Our next film will be Tuesday, Nov. 16, at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl. "The Red Violin" traces the intricate history of a very special violin and all the lives it touches. All of our films are free and open to the public. Our last film of the semester is called "Central Station," from Brazil. – Jan Orvik, editor, for Chris Webster, president, anthropology club.

Back care clinic offered Nov. 16

Do you suffer from back pain or need tips to keep your back healthy? If so, the back care clinic Tuesday, Nov. 16, is for you. It will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the student health promotion office in the Memorial Union and from 5 to 7 p.m. at the wellness center on the third floor of the Hyslop Sports Center. This event is sponsored by the physical therapy department, the wellness center, student health services, and Scheel's Sports. Professionals working in each department will be on hand to provide free postural and flexibility assessments, exercise and stretching tips and back pack weigh ins. Participants will receive a free exercise band and will have the opportunity to register for door prizes including a Scheel's Jansport back pack, travel duffel bag, exercise bear and note pad cubes! No more bending over backwards for others. Take care of yourself and attend the 2004 back care event. Call the student health promotion office at 777-2097 with any questions. – Kelsey Callahan, GSA, student health promotion office.

Male education nexus presented by counseling center

A collaboration of residence services and the counseling center present a continuing series: "The Health Forum, Varieties of Masculine Experience," Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the Era Bell Thompson Multicultural Center Upper Room. The format will be a brief presentation and a question and answer discussion session. Target population is male staff, students, and faculty. All are welcomed; refreshments will be served.

The final presentation is: Nov. 16, "Masculine Spirituality," by Erik Mansager. -- Erik Mansager, counseling center.

Doctoral examinations set for six candidates

The final examination for Gaylynn L. Becker, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in teaching and learning: higher education, is set for 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, in Room 104, Education building. The dissertation title is "High Stakes Assessment and the ACT: Relationships Between Two Assessments and High School Coursework." Richard Landry (educational foundations and research) is the committee chair.

The final examination for Karissa Katherine Adams, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in counseling psychology, is set for 9 a.m. Friday, Nov. 19, in 318 Montgomery Hall. The dissertation title is "University Counseling Center Clients' Perspective of Their In-Session Covert Reactions: A Qualitative Study." Kara Wettersten (counseling department) is the committee chair.

The final examination for Patricia R. Maggard, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in teaching and learning: higher education, is set for 10:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 22, in the Badlands Room, Memorial Union. The dissertation title is "PTE WA USPEWICAKIYAPI (Buffalo Teacher): Recollections of a Negro Teacher at the Fort Totten Indian Boarding School." Mary Ruth Laycock (educational foundations and research) is the committee chair.

The final examination for Randy Telander, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in counseling psychology, is set for 3:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 22, in 316 Montgomery Hall. The dissertation title is "Offender Treatment: An Evaluation of

a Cognitive Restructuring Program.” David Whitcomb (counseling) is the committee chair.

The final examination for Mary Beth Kelley-Lowe, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in teaching and learning: higher education, is set for 8 a.m. Monday, Nov. 29, in Room 104, Education building. The dissertation title is “Technology Literacy in the 21st Century: Teacher and Student Outcomes of a Technology Innovation Program Model.” Richard Landry (educational foundations and research) is the committee chair.

The final examination for Mary Joanne Schmid, a candidate for the Ed.D. degree with a major in educational leadership, is set for 3 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 30, in Room 206, Education building. The dissertation title is “Practices of Small Learning Communities in Selected Minnesota School Districts.” Sherryl Houdek (educational leadership) is the committee chair. The public is invited to attend. – Joseph Benoit, dean, graduate school.

Dean’s hour lecture will spotlight Rh Hemolytic Disease

The medical school dean’s hour lecture, “Rh Hemolytic Disease: from Tragedy to Triumph,” will be presented by John M. Bowman, distinguished professor emeritus, University of Manitoba, at noon Wednesday, Nov. 17, in the Reed T. Keller Auditorium, School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

This presentation will be broadcast at the following IP sites: Southeast Campus Room 225, Southwest Campus Conference Room A, Northwest Campus Office. The series is funded, in part, by the Vernon E. Wagner Endowment. For additional information, contact the office of the dean, School of Medicine and Health Sciences, 777-2514. – School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

Box lunch session focuses on graduate advising

“What Makes a Good Graduate Advisor?” This will be the topic of the next On Teaching box lunch discussion, scheduled for noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17, in the Memorial Room of the Union.

The session will feature five faculty who work regularly with graduate students and have given serious thought to the graduate advisor’s role: Mark Askelson (atmospheric sciences), Sandra Donaldson (English), Mike Mann (chemical engineering), Jim Mochoruk (history), and Kara Wettersten (counseling). We’ll also get the perspective of Graduate School Dean Joey Benoit, who has made improving graduate advising one of his priorities in the graduate school. To register and reserve a free box lunch, call Jana Hollands at 777-4998 by noon Tuesday, Nov. 12. – Libby Rankin, professor of English and director, instructional development.

Wagner seminar includes Ring showing

The Department of Music’s seminar on “Richard Wagner and Wagnerism” will sponsor a complete showing of Wagner’s Der Ring des Nibelungen (with English subtitles) in a performance by the Metropolitan Opera with James Levine. The last presentation in the series will be shown in the Josephine Campbell Recital Hall, Hughes Fine Arts Center at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17 (Götterdämmerung). Admission is free. – Christopher Anderson, music.

Alum will discuss achieving high performance

Studio One will host UND alumna Suzanne Randall Wednesday, Nov. 17, from 7 to 8 p.m. for a presentation on achieving high performance in college and beyond. The event will take place in the Memorial Union Ballroom. The presentation is free and open to the public; door prizes will be awarded. Some professors offer extra credit for students who attend and write a speaker review; students should ask their professors if this opportunity is available to them.

Randall is a global senior marketing manager for Accenture, a global management consulting, technology services and outsourcing company. Since joining the company eight years ago, Randall has worked on a variety of marketing initiatives, including the award-winning rebranding of Andersen Consulting to Accenture in 2001.

In addition to her work responsibilities, Randall is an active participant in Accenture’s Diversity Initiative, designed to foster understanding and appreciation for all cultures within Accenture. She is an enrolled member of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians in Belcourt, N.D.

A Grand Forks native, Randall studied public relations at UND, earning her Bachelor of Arts degree in 1995. She earned a full academic scholarship to study integrated marketing communications at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill. She graduated in 1996.

During her presentation, Randall will share secrets of her success and offer practical advice to students who are facing an increasingly competitive job market after graduation. As a certified Toastmaster and experienced keynote speaker, she is known for her highly professional yet entertaining presentations. Students will have the opportunity to ask questions following the presentation. She will also provide information on career opportunities with Accenture as well as door prizes.

The event is co-sponsored by the American Marketing Association, the Management Club, the Business and Public

Administration Council, the Association of Information Technology Professionals, and the Public Relations Student Society of America.

For more information on this event, please contact me. – Michelle Walters, director of marketing, UND Television Center, 777-3818 or michelle.walters@und.nodak.edu.

Panel discussions focus on international experience

The office of international programs would like to remind faculty and staff of the International Education Week brown bag discussion panels on Wednesday, Nov. 17, and Thursday, Nov. 18, from noon to 1 p.m. at the International Centre, 2908 University Ave. We ask that faculty please remind their students of these events as well. All are welcome. Please bring your own lunch. Coffee and tea will be provided.

Wednesday, Nov. 17, "Student Perspectives on International Exchange." A panel of current international students and United States students who have studied abroad will lead an informal discussion on how their participation in international opportunities has influenced their academic perspectives and impacted their overall educational experiences.

Thursday, Nov. 18, "Perspectives on International Experience in Today's Educational Environment." A panel of faculty and staff will discuss their experiences teaching and researching abroad, the ways in which these experiences have influenced them professionally and the value of such experiences in higher education. Panel members include: James Antes, psychology; Michael Beard, English; Victoria Beard, academic affairs; Ursula Hovet, English/German; and Timothy O'Keefe, information systems and business administration.

— International programs.

ADA advisory committee meets on third Thursdays

The ADA advisory committee meets the third Thursday of every month from 3 to 4 p.m. in 305 Twamley Hall. Our next meeting is Thursday, Nov. 18. If there are any items you would like to have included on the next agenda, please contact the affirmative action office at 777-4171. The campus community is welcome to attend any and all meetings. – Sally Page, affirmative action officer.

Higher ed board meets Nov. 18-19

The State Board of Higher Education will meet Thursday and Friday, Nov. 18 and 19, at North Dakota State College of Science in Wahpeton. An agenda is posted several days before the meeting at www.ndus.edu under State Board of Higher Education. – Jan Orvik, editor.

NCBI molecular resource training offered

National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) molecular resource training will be offered Thursday and Friday, Nov. 18 and 19. The NCBI presents "A Field Guide to GenBank and NCBI Molecular Biology Resources," a lecture from 9 a.m. to noon Thursday in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl, and hands-on computer workshop (Nov. 18 and 19) on GenBank and related databases covering effective use of the Entrez databases and search service, the BLAST similarity search engine, genome data and related resources.

The training features the NCBI assembly and annotation of human, mouse and rat genomes, the updated map viewer genome displays, the new genome-specific BLAST pages, the new NCBI curated conserved domains, and Cn3D 4.1.

For more information on this free class presented by NCBI, go to <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Class/FieldGuide/>.

Workshops will be held in the Karl Christian Wold Bioinformation Learning Resources Center, lower level computer lab, Room B320B, Medical Science building, Thursday and Friday. Attendance at the lecture is a prerequisite for the hands-on workshops.

Workshop session #1: Thursday, Nov. 18, 1 to 3 p.m. (25 seats); workshop session #2: Thursday, Nov. 18, 3:15 to 5:15 p.m. (25 seats); and workshop session #3: Friday, Nov. 19, 8 to 10 a.m. (25 seats).

For more information and/or to register contact me by Friday, Nov. 12. – Barbara Knight, Harley E. French Library of the Health Sciences, bknight@medicine.nodak.edu. National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) molecular resource training will be offered Thursday and Friday, Nov. 18 and 19. The NCBI presents "A Field Guide to GenBank and NCBI Molecular Biology Resources," a lecture from 9 a.m. to noon Thursday in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl, and hands-on computer workshop (Nov. 18 and 19) on GenBank and related databases covering effective use of the Entrez databases and search service, the BLAST similarity search engine, genome data and related resources.

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on workshops.

Workshop session #1: Thursday, Nov. 18, 1 to 3 p.m. (25 seats); workshop session #2: Thursday, Nov. 18, 3:15 to 5:15 p.m. (25 seats); and workshop session #3: Friday, Nov. 19, 8 to 10 a.m. (25 seats).

For more information and/or to register contact me by Friday, Nov. 12. – Barbara Knight, Harley E. French Library of the Health Sciences, bknight@medicine.nodak.edu.

LEEPS lectures set for Nov. 19

Gregg F. Gunnell from the University of Michigan will present the next LEEPS lectures Friday, Nov. 19. At noon he will present "Fossil Evidence for the Origin of Bats," in 100 Leonard Hall. "Why We Should Care About the Paleocene-Eocene Boundary-Perspectives from Mammalian Paleontology," will be at 3 p.m. in 109 Leonard Hall.

The geology and geological engineering Leading Edge of Earth and Planetary Science (LEEPS) lecture program brings nationally and internationally known scientists and others to UND to give talks on cutting edge science and engineering. Lectures cover a wide range of topics, including academic science, applied engineering, and environmental issues of current significance.

For more information, contact Joseph Hartman at 777-5055. – Geology and geology engineering.

Met Opera auditions set for Nov. 20

The 41st annual North Dakota auditions conducted under the auspices of the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions will be held Saturday, Nov. 20, at noon in the Josephine Campbell Recital Hall of the Hughes Fine Arts Center. Tammy Hensrud, a Metropolitan Opera singer and UND grad who has also sung in Germany will be the lead judge and will conduct a vocal master class following the auditions. Hensrud will also conduct a master class Friday, Nov. 19, at 2:30 p.m. in the choir room of the Hughes Fine Arts Center for UND music students who are selected by audition. She will conduct a second master class Saturday, Nov. 20, after the auditions. The public is cordially invited to the auditions and both master classes. – Royce Blackburn, music.

UND challenges NDSU in flag football

On behalf of UND student government, Student Body President Jordan Schuetzle has issued a challenge to North Dakota State University's flag football team in an effort to rekindle the UND/NDSU football rivalry.

The challenge has been set for 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, at the Memorial Stadium. The teams are to be selected from the intramural sports programs from each college, with preference given to those teams who have done the best in their league this season.

Student government would like to keep this healthy rivalry going between both colleges and hopes that NDSU will accept the challenge. – Jordan Schuetzle, student body president.

Psychology colloquium addresses effect of drug addiction on brain

A colloquium sponsored by the psychology department will feature Sushil Sharma, research associate professor of pathology. He will present "Drug Addiction and its Effect on the Brain" at 3:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, in 302 Corwin Larimore Hall. Everyone is welcome. – Psychology.

International programs sponsors Thanksgiving meal for international students

On Thursday, Nov. 25, the Office of International Programs will sponsor a traditional Thanksgiving dinner for our UND international students, faculty and families. We are in need of volunteers to help serve the meal at the International Centre. The meal will be prepared and ready to be served. So, if you are able to give a couple hours of your time on Thanksgiving Day (usually from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.) please contact Mindy at the International Centre (777-6438; melindamccannellunger@mail.und.nodak.edu). Thank you. – Raymond Lagasse, director, international programs

Arabic alphabet spotlighted by Michael Beard Nov. 30

Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor of English Michael Beard will take an in-depth look at the esthetics of the Arabic alphabet Tuesday, Nov. 30, for the faculty lecture series.

The Tuesday talk will be held at 4:30 p.m. in the Lecture Bowl, Memorial Union, with a reception to be held outside the

Lecture Bowl starting at 4 p.m. Both the talk and the reception are free and open to the public.

"Tha is for Soraya," the title of the lecture, refers to the Arabic letter "Tha," which is the first letter of the common, female Arabic name "Soraya." Here, the "S" in "Soraya" is pronounced like the sound of the English letters "th."

"Soraya" is also the name of a star cluster known in English as the Pleiades near the constellation Taurus, which is called al-Thawr in Arabic.

Beard argues that the Roman alphabet is used more as a transparent medium between utterance and reader; in the languages of the Arabic alphabet the visual realm is more fluid. Traditionally when writing in Arabic, certain shapes are used that reflect the content of what the writer is writing about.

"For one thing, the alphabet and its possibilities as a medium of esthetics play a greater role than our alphabet plays for us," Beard explained. Using the example of love poetry, Beard added that the curve of the letter "ra" is traditionally compared to the loved one's eyebrow; the almond shape of the letter "sad" is used to describe an eye.

The lecture will be derived from a book Beard is writing about the esthetics of the Arabic alphabet as it is used in Arabic, Persian and Urdu. It is an esthetic system developed particularly in Ottoman Turkish before the Turkish transition to the Roman alphabet that we are familiar with in English. "There will be one chapter on each of the 28 letters of the Arabic alphabet," explained Beard. In the book and at the lecture, he will look at the word origin and the evolution of languages, along with the narrative that goes along with written piece.

Beard has been involved with the Islamic world through much of his career. His first experience in the Middle East occurred when he joined the Peace Corps. He was involved as co-editor with the biannual journal Edebiyat: A Journal of Middle Eastern and Comparative Literatures, which has since merged with the sister journal, Middle Eastern Literatures. Beard also wrote a book on Egyptian novelist and 1988 Nobel Prize Winner in Literature Naguib Mahfouz, titled, Naguib Mahfouz: From Regional Fame to Global Recognition.

Beard's work on the Middle East made a strong impact on him. "I've been guided by a conviction that we need to be aware of the Middle Eastern cultures as cultures before we think of them politically . . . I want to write something which forces the reader's attention to something pre-political," Beard said.

A Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor of English and an adjunct professor of peace studies, Beard has been on the faculty since 1979. He finds the mission of UND to be very "student-centered and student-friendly," and says that UND's values reflecting this mission go beyond the norm of other schools. Beard summed, "Any institution where you can have an impact and make a contribution is important to me."

U2 lists workshops

Below are U2 workshops for Nov. 29 through Dec. 3. Visit our web site for additional workshops in November. The winter U2 newsletter containing workshops for December through January will be arriving soon. Please reserve your seat by registering with U2 by phone, 777-2128; e-mail, U2@mail.und.nodak.edu; or online, www.conted.und.edu/U2/. Please include workshop title and date, name, department, position, box number, phone number, e-mail address, and how you first learned of the workshop. Thank you for registering in advance; it helps us plan for materials and number of seats.

Windows XP, Introductory Course: Nov. 29, Dec. 1, and 3, 9 a.m. to noon, 361 Upson II (nine hours total). Prerequisite: Basic understating of computers. Learn Windows orientation, work with programs and documents, organize files, work with windows, create an efficient work environment, use control panel features, use Windows applets, optimize system resources, find information. Presenter: Maria Saucedo.

Performance Evaluations and Progressive Discipline: Nov. 30, 9 to 11 a.m., 305 Twamley Hall. Supervisors will learn the fundamentals of conducting honest, fair, and consistent evaluations and receive guidelines for using a progressive discipline system. Presenters: Joy Johnson and Desi Sporbert.

The Basics of IRB Review: Nov. 30, 1 to 4 p.m., 16-18 Swanson Hall. All researchers planning to conduct human subject research are required to complete training. The workshop covers research ethics, federal regulations, and UND policies regarding human subject research. It will also review the Institutional Review Board (IRB) forms and procedures. The workshop will include two case studies, a quiz, with time for questions. Presenter: Renee Carlson.

Holiday Eating: Dec. 1, noon to 1 p.m., 16-18 Swanson Hall. Do you struggle with your diet during the holiday season? Come and learn some practical tips to stay on top of things during this busy time. A registered dietitian will walk you through holiday gatherings, busy schedules and health choices. Presenter: Brenna Kerr.

DMP Protocol and Work Force Safety (Workers Compensation): Dec. 2, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., Conference Room, Auxiliary Services. **CHANGE IN WORKERS COMPENSATION POLICY!** The Designated Medical Provider guidelines are part of the state risk management program with Work Force Safety (workers compensation). It is important for employees to have a clear understanding of these policies in the event they suffer a work-related injury. The class is also an excellent opportunity for supervisors to become more familiar with the policy. The safety director and work force safety coordinator will make the presentation and be available for questions following. Presenters: Claire Moen and Jason Uhler.

UND Facts and Figures: Dec. 2, 11 a.m. to noon, 361 Upson II. Find your own information with the help of the institutional research web site. Explore the online factbook, third week reports, information on OIR surveys, and learn the basics on using Excel pivot tables. Presenters: Carol Drechsel and Carmen Williams.

Records Disposal Procedures: Dec. 3, 9 to 10:30 a.m., Badlands Room, Memorial Union. During this workshop you will learn more about the process for destroying or transferring records that have passed their retention time limits. We'll review the forms used, discuss why it's necessary to document, and you will take part in a hands-on run-through of the

entire process. It's fun to clean out, it's easier to do than you think, and now's the time to do it! Presenter: Chris Austin, records manager.

— Julie Sturges, U2 program assistant, University within the University.

Agenda items due for Dec. 2 University senate meeting

The University senate will meet Thursday, Dec. 2, at 4:05 p.m. in Room 7, Gamble Hall. Agenda items for this meeting are due in the office of the registrar by noon Thursday, Nov. 18. They may be submitted electronically to:

Nancy.Krogh@mail.und.nodak.edu. It is recommended that some detail be included in the agenda items submitted. – Nancy Krogh (registrar), secretary, University senate.

Agenda items due for Dec. 3 IRB meeting

The institutional review board will meet at 3 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3, in 305 Twamley Hall to consider all research proposals submitted to the Office of Research and Program Development before Tuesday, Nov. 23. Proposals received later will be considered only if a quorum has reviewed them and time permits.

Clinical medical projects must be reviewed by the clinical medical subcommittee before being brought to the full board.

Proposals for these projects are due in ORPD Tuesday, Nov. 16.

Minutes from the meeting will be available in the ORPD approximately one week after the meeting. – John Madden (communication sciences and disorders), chair, institutional review board.

Alerus Center lists events

Following are events at the Alerus Center.

Michael W. Smith Christmastime Tour, with special guests Point of Grace and the Katinas, Friday, Dec. 3, at 7:30 p.m.

Bette Midler "Kiss My Brass!" Tour, Friday, Dec. 10, at 8 p.m.

Tickets are on sale now at the Alerus Center box office, all Ticketmaster locations, by calling (701) 772-5151 or online at aleruscenter.com. Limited VIP seating still available for Bette Midler.

— Jan Orvik, editor, for the Alerus Center.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Departments invited to take part in "Operation Intern"

Governor Hoeven recently formed a task force of state agency and higher education leaders to develop a project to help North Dakota businesses realize the potential of employing North Dakota college students. The name of the project is Operation Intern. The aim is to employ our college graduates in North Dakota. The approach is to publicize the project and the opportunities it presents for businesses to find and try out college students before they graduate.

To publicize the project, the governor announced an advertising campaign that included mailing "tool kits" to over 800 businesses in the state, including 100 in Grand Forks. The tool kit consists of a guidebook and CD presentation on the project, and offers a step-by-step approach to posting internship announcements and searching for possible internship candidates on the project web site.

College students must need an internship for course credit, and have the internship job description approved by their

major advisor.

Businesses must have a written job description, be able to assign a mentor to the student, offer feedback on accomplishments, conduct an exit interview, and pay the student for their work. The students and businesses can find each other on a state web site by posting their resumes and job announcements, or by doing direct searches. The tool kit and guidebook explain these points in more depth.

If educators or college students need a tool kit, or have questions about this effort to provide internships to college students in North Dakota, contact James Pedersen at Job Service, 795-3741, or toll-free at 800-247-0986. — Jan Orvik, editor, for James Pedersen, Job Service.

Nominations sought for outstanding advisors

The academic advising committee is accepting nominations for the outstanding faculty academic advisor award to be presented at Founders Day 2005. To access the nomination form online, go to www.und.edu/dept/sas/adnomform.pdf or www.und.edu/dept/divsos/foundersday/.

Paper nomination forms are available at the following locations: Memorial Union info center, student government office, student academic services, and college dean offices. All students, faculty, staff, and alumni are eligible to nominate a faculty academic advisor. Nominations will be accepted through Jan. 14.

For more information, please contact student academic services, 201 Memorial Union, or call 777-2117. – Lisa Burger, director, student academic services, on behalf of the academic advising committee.

PPT offers new course on drugs subject to abuse

The Department of Pharmacology, Physiology, and Therapeutics is announcing a revised course, PPT 410 – Drugs Subject to Abuse. This course covers the pharmacological, social, ethical, and therapeutic aspects of substance use, misuse, and abuse. This course will be of interest to all students interested in learning more about making informed decisions concerning substances in use in sport and health included those enrolled in departments of athletic training, biology, chemistry, criminal justice studies, education and human development, nursing, nutrition and dietetics, philosophy, physical education and exercise science, pre-medical education, psychology, social work, sociology, and teaching and learning. This two credit-hour course will be offered during the spring semester on Mondays and Wednesdays, 1 to 1:50 p.m. For more information contact me. – Jim Haselton, 777-6283, haselton@medicine.nodak.edu, pharmacology, physiology and therapeutics.

Office Max purchases must be made with purchasing card after Dec. 1

Effective Dec. 1, UND will no longer be allowed to charge purchases at Office Max.

UND has available a Visa card for use up to the single purchase limit of \$5,000. Purchases can be made with the card at Office Max and at any vendor that accepts Visa.

Advantages of the Visa purchasing card:

- s Smoother transition to PeopleSoft.
- s Vendors often process and ship orders faster.
- s Eliminates purchasing delays.
- s Easier to make purchases with a vendor, no charge account needs to be established, and credit references do not need to be provided.
- s Vendor is paid promptly.
- s Reduces the number of request for payments/SOS payments.
- s Reduces the number of invoicing problems.
- s Reduces the number of checks issued.

To obtain a Visa purchasing card:

- s Contact Kathie Howes, accounting services, 777-2915.
- s Submit, to accounting services, the purchasing card application form (located at <http://www.und.edu/dept/accounts>. Select "Forms Available).
- s All cardholders are required to attend a training session prior to receiving their Visa purchasing card.

A Visa purchasing card training session is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 18, from 2 to 3 p.m. in the River Valley Room, Memorial Union. — Accounting services.

Invite students to take CORE alcohol and drug online survey

Students are invited to participate in the Core Alcohol and Drug Survey. The CORE survey can be taken online and is

confidential. This survey is not used to diagnose alcohol dependency in individuals but rather to assess the level and impact of alcohol and other drug use on campus. It is a valuable tool for determining how to target populations for prevention programming, design social marketing and media advocacy campaigns, and assess the impact of these prevention efforts. The survey has 39 questions and takes approximately 10 to 15 minutes to complete. To complete the survey, simply log on to www.coresurvey.com. The UND user login is 15499.

Students who complete the survey can enter their name to win door prizes.

s \$20 gift certificate at Home of Economy

s Free UND T-shirt

s Two-ticket package to the Carmike Theatres (10 packages are available)

How to get these door prizes:

s Take survey starting today through Nov. 30. UND user login: 15499.

s Print the "thank you" page at the end of the survey.

s Write your name and phone number on the "thank you" page.

s Drop off completed sheet in a drop-box location at McCannel Hall lobby, Wilkerson main lobby, student government office. Drawings will be held Dec. 1.

To take the survey, please log on to www.coresurvey.com. — Sue Thompson, substance abuse prevention specialist.

Honorary degree nominations sought

Members of the University council are invited to nominate outstanding individuals for an honorary degree. The deadline for submitting nominations is Friday, Dec. 3. Qualifications include, but are not limited to, the following State Board of Higher Education criteria (see SBHE, Policy 430.1):

1. The candidate should have had an association with the State of North Dakota. This association may be by virtue of birth, of residence, of education, of service to the state, the board, or one of the institutions governed by the board.
2. The candidate must have achieved a level of distinction which would merit comparable recognition in his or her profession or area of excellence.
3. The renown of the candidate should reflect favorably on the board, the institutions it governs, and the State of North Dakota.

In order to avoid any embarrassment, no suggestion shall be made to any person to be so honored until the State Board of Higher Education has acted on the nomination.

Institutional criteria and standards for the awarding of honorary degrees at the University of North Dakota have been established by the University senate. It is recommended that the following criteria be used in considering persons for an honorary degree:

1. Achievement of distinction in scholarship, or in comparable professional or creative achievement.
2. Recognized and outstanding service to the nation, to the state, or to the University of North Dakota.
3. Attendance at or graduation from the University of North Dakota, except as the individual is outstanding with reference to the preceding criteria 1 and 2.
4. Non-membership on the faculty of the University of North Dakota.
5. Scholarship specialization in an area in which the university normally grants an earned degree.

Procedures:

1. Nominations may be made by any member of the University council.
2. Nominations must be accompanied by a factual dossier providing evidence that the nominee meets the criteria and standards established by the University Senate (Nos. 1-5 above). Factual compilation should include the following, in the order listed:
 - a. A brief biography.
 - b. A list of scholarly writings, research and publications.
 - c. Description of public service and achievements.
 - d. List of offices and positions held.
 - e. Other factual justifications for consideration.
3. The nominee's scholarship will be evaluated by the departmental faculty in the area of the nominee's specialization, such evaluation to be a part of the dossier presented to the honorary degrees committee.
4. A nominee will not be informed that he/she is being considered until the nomination has been approved at the SBHE level.
5. The titles of honorary degrees shall be distinct from those of earned degrees at UND.
6. No honorary bachelor's or master's degrees will be awarded.

On behalf of the honorary degrees committee, nominations and all supporting materials may be sent to the office of the vice president for academic affairs and provost, 302 Twamley Hall. The dateline for submitting nominations is Friday, Dec. 3. – Martha Potvin, interim provost.

North Dakota Quarterly publishes special issues

Three new special issues of North Dakota Quarterly titled "Hemingway: Life and Art," "The Lewis and Clark Corps of Discovery Bicentennial," and "The Fiction issue" have been recently published.

“Hemingway: Life and Art” covers a wide range of topics surrounding the Nobel Prize winning writer. In it is the first publication of an essay by the late Robert E. (Robin) Gajdusek, writer, photographer, and aficionado of Ernest Hemingway – to whom the issue is dedicated. This issue includes 15 essays including Robert Young’s “Meeting Ernest Hemingway” and Donald Junkins’ “Conversations With Carol Hemingway Gardner at Ninety.” This issue is also graced with a poem by H.R. Stoneback titled “Hear That Train: Elegy Written in a Country Music Churchyard (a poem for Johnny Cash).” Many photographs and artwork also are included in this special issue.

“The Lewis and Clark Corps of Discovery Bicentennial” makes its debut as the celebration of the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial continues. This issue, edited by guest editor Everett C. Albers, includes four essays, a collection of North Dakota artists work, three poems, and a play, all pertaining to the Lewis and Clark Corps of Discovery. William Borden’s play “Sakakawea” is a wonderful mythic tale of the Lewis and Clark expedition. Robert W. Lewis, North Dakota Quarterly editor, opens this issue with an introduction, including a tribute to guest editor Albers, for 30 years the director of the North Dakota Humanities Council, who died in April.

“The Fiction Issue” is a collection of 14 stories and five poems. Included in this issue are Margaret Holmes’ “One Day in the 80s” and Kristina Gorccheva-Newberry’s “A Star on the Cardboard Wall.” Sharon Chmielarz captures her readers with three poems based in the local region titled “Rosina,” “Bessarabia in North Dakota,” and “McIntosh, South Dakota.” This issue is a wonderfully diverse collection.

The Lewis and Clark Bicentennial issue is supported in part by a grant from the City of Grand Forks through the North Valley Arts Council.

Current North Dakota Quarterly issues are available in the UND Barnes and Noble Bookstore and the North Dakota Museum of Art gift shop. Subscriptions of four generous issues starting with the current one are available for \$25 from North Dakota Quarterly, Box 7209, Grand Forks, ND 58202-7209, (701) 777-3322, or e-mail ndq@und.nodak.edu. Checks, money orders, MasterCard, and Visa are accepted. — North Dakota Quarterly.

2005 Founders Day honorees sought

The 2005 Founders Day banquet and ceremony will be held Thursday, Feb. 24. This celebration will mark the 122nd anniversary of the founding of the University of North Dakota.

Employees with 25 years of service and retiring faculty and staff employees will be honored at the banquet as guests of the University. We request the assistance of all administrators, vice presidents, deans, department chairs, office heads, and other supervisors in identifying eligible employees.

To prepare for Founders Day 2005, we request the following information:

1. Names of faculty and staff members who have completed 25 years of service to UND. To be honored, individuals must have completed 25 years of service since July 1, 2004, or will complete it by June 30, 2005. (In most cases, these people would have begun their employment at UND between July 1, 1979, and June 30, 1980.) Please note that individuals eligible for 25-year recognition whose service at UND has not been continuous may have begun their employment prior to July 1, 1979.

Recognition for 25 years of service is given to all benefited employees, even though they may not be employed on a full-time basis. Please include names of benefited, part-time employees who will complete 25 years of service between July 1, 2004 and June 30, 2005.

2. Names of retired and retiring faculty and staff. To be honored, individuals must:

- a. have retired since July 1, 2004, or will retire by June 30, 2005;
- b. have a minimum of 15 years of service to the University;
- c. be (or have been) full-time employees or in a benefited, part-time position at the time of retirement (or be completing an approved “phased” retirement); and
- d. be making application for or receiving benefits through a UND-related retirement plan.

It is important that your list of eligible employees includes the following information:

- s name of the employee
- s position/faculty rank currently held
- s department or unit
- s initial appointment date
- s mailing address and e-mail address
- s dates of any breaks in service (please identify whether these breaks in service were compensated, such as a developmental leave or a leave of absence without compensation)
- s date of retirement (if applicable)

Please submit the names of eligible individuals and supporting information to Terri Machart in the Office of the Vice President for Student and Outreach Services, Box 7140, terri.machart@mail.und.nodak.edu by Friday, Nov. 19. Please call 777-2724 with any questions about employee eligibility or about the Founders Day banquet. — Fred Wittmann, director of ceremonies and special events, Office of the Vice President for Student and Outreach Services.

FlexComp enrollments due Nov. 30

The open enrollment period of the FlexComp program for the plan year of Jan. 1, 2005, through Dec. 31, 2005, is here. During this time all benefited employees will have the opportunity to enroll or re-enroll in this fringe benefit opportunity. This program helps employees pay for medical and dependent care expenses with pre-tax dollars instead of after-tax dollars.

Enrollment agreements must be returned to the payroll office by Tuesday, Nov. 30. No enrollment agreements will be accepted after 4:30 p.m. that day.

No exceptions will be made for mail delays; so, if the deadline date is approaching, it is advised that you hand-deliver your form directly to the payroll office to assure it is received on time.

If you misplaced your original enrollment form which was mailed to you Oct. 18, you may pick one up at 314 Twamley Hall or print one from the payroll web page at www.und.nodak.edu/dept/payroll. Click on forms.

If you have any questions, call me. – Heidi Strande, payroll office FlexComp specialist, 777-4423.

Photo contest spotlights campus

The good, the bad, the ugly and the pretty pictures of the University of North Dakota campus can be submitted for a photography contest hosted by UND's Graphics and Photography Society. Contest submissions are due Monday, Nov. 15.

Photos considered for judging must be taken on the University of North Dakota campus in 2004. "We want to see what UND life really looks like 24 hours, seven days a week," said Lynda Kenney (technology) who advises the Graphics and Photography Society.

Winners in each category will be awarded prizes, and the photos will be displayed at a Memorial Union exhibition. Three different categories, digital, black and white film, and color film are available. There is no limit on the number of photos for submission. Photographs must not have been previously published.

The contest is free and open to all. Submissions should be "8x10" prints and should not be framed or mounted.

Photographers are responsible for gaining the consent of subjects for public display.

Photographs will be judged on content expression, composition elements, and technical quality. Photos should be turned in to the technology department in 235-B Starcher Hall.

For more information and a complete set of official rules, contact us. – Lynda Kenney, technology, 777-2197, or David Dew, (701) 330-1051.

Old Main Marketplace offers Tuesday specials

A&W Express in the Old Main Marketplace food court now offers 99-cent Coney dogs (chili dogs) on Tuesdays. No coupon is necessary. If pizza is more your style, try the half slice of NY-thin style pizza for 99 cents with the purchase of at least another slice of pizza at Sbarro Pizzeria.

Old Main Marketplace also includes Dakota Deli with fresh made-to-order sub sandwiches, wraps and soup, as well as World Market Asian specialty noodle bowls and combination plates. The Marketplace is located on the first floor of the Memorial Union. Hours are Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.; and Sunday, noon to 10:30 p.m. – Dining services.

Campus walking trail maps available

Enjoy walking? Feel stressed and need a break? Want to get in shape? Want to become renewed and invigorated when outside? Check out the new walking trails on campus.

The physical wellness subcommittee, along with Rick Tonder, associate director of facilities, has created 14 walking/running trails for the UND campus. The trails, approximately one mile in length, cover most regions of campus and can be interconnected for a 5-10 mile walk. Three of the trails are indoor routes for year-round use. The School of Medicine loop even includes stair climbing to increase the workout.

Maps are available at the Wellness Center and Memorial Union and online through the UND home page at www.und.nodak.edu and the Wellness Center home page at <http://wellness.und.edu/wellness>.

Obesity and poor fitness are health crises in America. College campuses are not immune. Let's lower the risk at UND. Get active, get fit, and get healthy. See you on the trails. – Matt Remfert, co-chair, physical wellness subcommittee.

September grant awardees named

The Office of Research and Program Development congratulates the following faculty and staff who were listed as principal or co-principal investigators on awards received during September:

Administration and finance, Randy Eken; anthropology, Greg Wermers; ASEND/EPSCoR, Shanaka de Silva; atmospheric

sciences, Andrew Newman; biochemistry and molecular biology, Mark Cercinski, Roxanne Vaughan; biology, Rich Crawford; Center for Rural Health, Allan Allery, Brad Gibbens, Kyle Muus, Mary Wakefield; civil engineering, Sukhvarsh Jerath; communication sciences and disorders, Samuel Seddoh; conference services, Jennifer Raymond; EERC, Ted Aulich, Steven Benson, Tara Buckley, Donald Cox, Bruce Dockter, Grant Dunham, Bruce Folkedahl, John Gallagher, Jay Gunderson, Sheila Hanson, Michael Holmes, Lingbu Kong, Dennis Laudal, Jason Laumb, Donald McCollor, Carolyn Nyberg, Edwin Olson, John Pavlish, Debra Pflughoeft-Hassett, A.S. Rokanuzzaman, Darren Schmidt, Wayne Seames, Everett Sondreal, Greg Weber, Kirk Williams, Chad Wocken, Li Yan, Christopher Zygarlicke; electrical engineering, Chang-Hee Won; Environmental Training Institute, Linda Rohde; family medicine, Elizabeth Burns; geology and geological engineering, Joseph Hartman; internal medicine, Robert Tight; law school, Matthew Fletcher; mailing services, Darin Lee; mechanical engineering, John Watson; nursing, Helen Melland; nursing-RAIN, Elizabeth Nichols; medical education, Sue Applegren; pediatrics, Larry Burd; Regional Weather Information Center, Bruce Smith; research and program development, James Beal; space studies, Shanaka de Silva; workforce development, Galen Cariveau. — Barry Milavetz, interim director, research and program development.

Scholarly activities awardees named

The senate scholarly activities committee received six research/creative activity grant applications, requesting a total of \$25,112, and nine publication applications requesting a total of \$7,496 in response to the October call for proposals. The following awards were made at the committee meeting Oct. 2.

Research/creative activity awards: Bryon Grove (anatomy and cell biology), \$1,836, "Development of a Cell Model to Investigate the Role of the Protein Kinase Scaffolding Protein Gravin in Intracellular Signaling"; Alan King (psychology), \$1,672, "Interpretation of Empirical Data in the Behavioral Sciences as a Function of Theoretical Perspective and Other Influences"; Rebecca Simmons (biology), \$1,760.32, "Evolution of Warning Coloration in Two Lineages of Tiger Moths (Lepidoptera: Archidae: Arctiinae, Euchromiini and Ctenuchini)"; Burt Thorp (interdisciplinary studies), \$960, "Fieldwork in India on Hanuman and Krishna"; Baike Xi (atmospheric sciences), \$2,000, "Calibration and Improvement of PSP and PIR Radiometers at UND Surface Observation Site."

Publication awards: Forrest Ames (mechanical engineering), \$640; Eric Burin (history), \$1,108.80; Tar-Pin Chen (physics), \$200; Jane Dunlevy (anatomy and cell biology), \$784; Philip Gerla (geology and geological engineering), \$576; Martin Short (physical education and exercise science), \$276; Sandra Short (physical education and exercise science), \$120; Chang-Hee Won (electrical engineering), \$884; Timothy Young (physics), \$1,408. — Fred Remer (atmospheric sciences), chair, senate scholarly activities committee.

Preproposals sought for junior faculty seed money

Oak Ridge Associated Universities offers Ralph E. Powe Junior Faculty Enhancement Awards to provide seed money for junior faculty. Awards are intended to enrich research and professional growth of young faculty and lead to new funding opportunities.

Full-time assistant professors within two years of their initial tenure-track appointment (2/4/2003 through 2/4/2005) in the disciplines listed below at the time of application are eligible for these awards. Eligible disciplines are:

- s Engineering and applied science
- s Life sciences
- s Mathematics/computer science
- s Physical sciences
- s Policy, management, or education.

The award amount is \$5,000, which will be matched by UND (this may include travel, equipment, etc.). Applicants are encouraged to develop research collaborations with governmental, private-sector, and other academic researchers.

Interactions with the Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) are emphasized. Thus, substantive interdisciplinary research and inter-institutional research partnerships will be considered as very positive factors in the review process, and will increase chances for success.

UND may submit only two nominations to the program in the same fiscal year; therefore, if you are interested in applying, please submit a letter of intent to ORPD no later than Friday, Nov. 19. In the event more than two individuals are interested in applying, interested faculty will be required to submit a preproposal and a committee will be set up to conduct an internal review of those preproposals. The ORAU deadline is Feb. 4, 2005.

Applicants will be notified of the results as soon as possible in order to provide as much time as possible to prepare a final proposal for submission.

If you would like to receive a paper copy of the announcement, please contact Shirley Griffin at 777-4278 or shirley.griffin@mail.und.nodak.edu. — Barry Milavetz, interim director, research and program development.

Applications sought for Fulbright programs

Now is the time to apply for two Fulbright scholar programs. The competitions for the New Century Scholars program

and the Scholar-In-Residence program are now open.

New Century Scholars program

The Fulbright New Century Scholars program brings together annually 30 outstanding research scholars and professionals from the United States and around the world. NCS scholars engage in multidisciplinary collaboration under the leadership of a distinguished scholar leader and work together to seek solutions to issues and concerns that affect all humankind. For the academic year 2005-2006, the program focus is "Higher Education in the 21st Century: Global Challenge and National Response." A New Century Scholars flyer is available for download at:

<http://www.cies.org/NCS/download/NCSYear4.pdf>.

Scholar-in-Residence program

The primary objective of the worldwide Scholar-in-Residence program is to bring scholars and professionals from abroad to the campuses of U.S. colleges that infrequently or never host visiting scholars, thereby expanding the contact their students and faculty have with people of other cultures. The Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence program also seeks to involve colleges and universities that serve student populations underrepresented in international exchange programs, including minority students.

Under the Scholar-in-Residence program, accredited U.S. institutions of higher education submit proposals to the Council of International Exchange of Scholars (CIES) to request scholars for one or both terms of the 2005-2006 academic year to teach and consult in area studies programs, interdisciplinary that focus on global issues or courses where participation of a foreign scholar can provide a cross-cultural or international perspective. The Scholar-In-Residence guidelines can be found at: http://www.cies.org/sir/SIR_Guidelines.pdf

— Will Young, Fulbright campus representative, international programs.

New faculty scholar applications due Feb. 15

New faculty scholar awards are intended to provide extra support for initiation of research and creative activity programs of assistant professors who have been at UND three years or less (e.g., date of appointment at UND should be January 2002 or later). The SSAC anticipates that new faculty scholar awards will lead to the development of projects that will ultimately be funded by external agencies. Up to three awards of \$5,000 each will be made per year. Only outstanding applications will be funded. One competition is held each year.

Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2005, is the deadline for submission of applications to the senate scholarly activities committee. The committee will consider requests from faculty members to conduct pure and applied research, support writing projects, or to support other creative and scholarly endeavors (e.g., performances, art projects, compositions). All costs normally incurred in the conduct of the research or creative activity are eligible budget items. Travel costs which are essential to the conduct of the project may be requested; however, travel to present papers or attend conferences is not allowable under this program.

The committee reminds applicants to carefully prepare their proposals and be specific and realistic in their budget requests. All applications must include the completed application form, letter of support from the department chair, the applicant's resume, and a description of the project. The properly signed original application and 11 copies must be submitted to the office of research and program development prior to or on the published deadline.

Applications forms for the new faculty scholar awards are available at ORPD, 105 Twamley Hall, 777-4278, or on ORPD's home page (found under "Research" on the UND site at www.und.edu). — Fred Remer (atmospheric sciences), chair, senate scholarly activities committee.

Nominations invited for departmental research award

Nominations for the Fellows of the University Award for Departmental Excellence in Research, recognizing research, scholarly, and creative productivity, are due at the office of research and program development Monday, Jan. 3. The winning department will receive a \$1,500 award and a plaque at the Founders Day Banquet Feb. 24.

information that will allow the selection committee to ty of the research, scholarly, and creative activities of , such nominations should include a listing of publi or scholarly activities during the period 1999-2004. hose years, such

s a brief synopsis of ongoing research ape of active sponsored projects, dissertations or oth by students, performances or scholarly presentations by faculty, etc., should be included if they contribute to the overall picture of a department's research, scholarly, and creative activities. A statement of support from the dean is required. To expedite the review process, nine copies of the nomination and supporting documentation should be submitted to ORPD.

The awardee will be selected by the same committee which selects the Thomas J. Clifford Faculty Achievement Award for Excellence in Research. This committee includes the director of the Office of Research and Program Development (chair), the chair of the senate scholarly activities committee, one faculty member from the senate scholarly activities committee, three faculty members from the University research council, the chair of the faculty research seed money council, and one member of the faculty research seed money council.

Since previous awardees are ineligible for nomination until five years have passed, the departments of microbiology and immunology, English, atmospheric sciences, biology, neuroscience, and physics may not be nominated this year.

If further information is desired, please call the Office of Research and Program Development at 777-4278. — Barry Milavetz, interim director, research and program development.

Nominations/applications invited for faculty research award

Nominations/applications are invited for the UND Foundation Thomas J. Clifford Faculty Achievement Award for Excellence in Research. The winner of this award will receive a plaque and a check for \$2,000 at the Founders Day Banquet Feb. 24.

The following information should be provided:

- (1) A listing of publications of significant, original and high-quality research, scholarly, and creative contributions in nationally recognized professional journals that are refereed by peer reviewers and/or a listing of juried competitions and invited performances/exhibitions.
 - (2) Overall scholarly activities, such as service as a reviewer of research proposals for federal agencies or other funding sources, service as a referee or editor for professional journals, and contributions to training students in research, scholarly, and creative endeavors;
 - (3) Potential for significant contributions to enhancing the effectiveness of the subject matter taught in the classroom.
- Faculty, staff and students may make nominations, and faculty are invited to nominate themselves. Since the committee will not engage in the gathering of documentation, each nomination or application must be accompanied by thorough evidence of the nominee's qualifications for the award. Nine copies of each nomination and supporting documentation should be received at the Office of Research and Program Development no later than Monday, Jan. 3.

The awardee will be selected by the same committee that selects the Fellows of the University Award for Departmental Excellence in Research. This committee includes the director of the Office of Research and Program Development (chair), the chair of the senate scholarly activities committee, one faculty member from the senate scholarly activities committee, three faculty members from the research council, the chair of the faculty research seed money council, and one member of the faculty research seed money council.

Since previous awardees are ineligible for nomination until five years have passed, Manuchair Ebadi (2004), Jody Rada and Jay Meek (2003), Joyce Coleman and Jeffrey Lang (2002), Leon Osborne (2001), and Edward Carlson (2000) may not be nominated this year.

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